

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend the Specification as indicated in the replacement paragraphs below.

Please amend paragraph 0080 of the Specification, as follows:

(q) to provide a portable multifunction apparatus which can be used as thermal shelter, incubator, hydroponichydroponic growing chamber, greenhouse, frost shield, and/or general shelter from inclement weather or other environments elements (e.g., mosquitoes, other biting insects, dust, debris, sunlight, etc.);

Please amend the section heading between paragraphs 0237 and 0238 of the Specification, as follows:

**BRIEFBRIEF DESCRIPTION OF FIGURES**

Please amend paragraph 0238 of the Specification, as follows:

FIG. 19D depicts two electrically interconnected modular multi-function apparatuses \_\_\_\_ located on a mountain \_\_\_\_ and being used as high-gain antenna apparatuses (each similar to those shown above in FIGS. 19A-C) to a relay electronic communications between a low-lying transmission tower \_\_\_\_ and a third modular apparatus \_\_\_\_ located on opposite sides of the mountain. It is noted that a single modular multi-function apparatus may be reconfigured by the user to provide two or more~~more~~ reflector modules (such as by

attaching a removable reflector chamber to, for example, the separate toroidal support ring \_\_\_\_ or the rings of the safety shield \_\_\_\_), thus enabling a single apparatus to serve as a relay station between non-aligned remote stations. However, depending on the element selected to support the auxiliary removable reflector chamber, alternate means for supporting the apparatus may need to be implemented.

Please amend paragraph 0244 of the Specification, as follows:

FIG. 21A depicts the modular multi-function apparatus being used in an upright position as an insulated crib, cradle, or incubator, such as to hold an infant \_\_\_\_\_. In addition to the reflective membrane \_\_\_\_, the invention contemplates that many of the other elements of the apparatus, such as the interior and/or [[or]] exterior walls of the safety shield \_\_\_\_\_ can have a reflective surface \_\_\_\_\_ to enhance the thermal insulating characteristics of the apparatus. FIG. 21B depicts the modular multi-function apparatus \_\_\_\_ being used in a horizontal position by a person \_\_\_\_ as a seat or chair \_\_\_\_, and as a shield from the sun, wind, and/or inclement weather. FIG. 21C depicts the modular multi-function apparatus \_\_\_\_ being used in an inverted position as a shelter to protect a person from inclement weather or other environmental elements. By further incorporating an optional camouflaged external surface \_\_\_\_ the apparatus effectively serves

as a wildlife blind or hunting blind. FIG. 21D depicts the modular multi-function apparatus \_\_\_\_\_ in a partially disassembled and reconfigured condition, wherein the toroidal base ring \_\_\_\_ is being used as an open flotation device to support a person \_\_\_\_ on water \_\_\_\_, and the remainder of the apparatus is being used as an enclosed flotation device \_\_\_\_\_ or weather-resistant gear closet. The apparatus can also be used a portable cage, terrarium, aquarium, greenhouse, frost shield, and the like. These applications can be facilitated by the inclusion of an integral or removably attached cover, such as a transparent cover (not shown) to enable use as a greenhouse, or a fine mesh cover (not shown) to enable use as cage for small animals or insects. Note that such a fine mesh cover can also be used at an insect shield (e.g., mosquito net) when using the device as a shelter, incubator, and the like.